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Adoption of the report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its sixteenth session

Draft report

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Chapter I
Matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention

A. Draft decisions recommended by the Forum for adoption by the Council

1. The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decisions:

[*To be completed*]

B. Matters brought to the attention of the Council

2. The Permanent Forum has identified the proposals, objectives, recommendations and areas of possible future action set out below and, through the Council, recommends that States, entities of the United Nations system, intergovernmental organizations, indigenous peoples, the private sector and non-governmental organizations assist in their realization.

3. It is the understanding of the secretariat of the Permanent Forum that those proposals, objectives, recommendations and areas of possible future action to be carried out by the United Nations, as set out below, will be implemented to the extent possible within the context of the approved programme of work of the relevant entities.

Recommendations of the Permanent Forum

[*To be completed]*

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Chapter II
Venue, dates and proceedings of the session

4. By its decision 2016/251, the Economic and Social Council decided that the sixteenth session of the Permanent Forum would be held at United Nations Headquarters from 24 April to 5 May 2017.

5. At its 6th and 13th meetings, on 27 April and 3 May, the Permanent Forum considered agenda item 3, entitled "Follow-up on the recommendations of the Permanent Forum", sub-items (a) ("Empowerment of indigenous women") and (b) ("Indigenous youth"). For its consideration of the item, the Forum had before it the documents entitled "Update on the implementation of the recommendations of the Permanent Forum" (E/C.19/2017/3), "Compilation of information from Member States on addressing the recommendations of the Permanent Forum" (E/C.19/2017/6), "Compilation of information received from indigenous peoples' organizations" (E/C.19/2017/7), "Compilation of information received from agencies, funds and programmes of the United Nations system and other intergovernmental bodies on progress in the implementation of the recommendations of the Permanent Forum" (E/C.19/2017/8), and "Compilation of information from national human rights institutions" (E.C.19/2017/9). At its [ ] meeting, on [ ] May, the Forum considered and adopted its recommendations submitted under agenda item 3 (see chap. I, sect. B).

6. At its 4th, 5th and 13th meetings, on 26 and 27 April and on 3 May, the Forum considered agenda item 4, entitled "Implementation of the six mandated areas of the Permanent Forum with reference to the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples". At its [ ] meeting, the Forum considered and adopted its recommendations submitted under that item (see chap. I, sect. B).

7. At its 11th meeting, on 2 May, the Forum considered agenda item 5, entitled "Dialogue with indigenous peoples". At its [ ] meeting, the Forum considered and adopted its recommendations submitted under that item (see chap. I, sect. B).

8. At its 12th meeting, on 2 May, the Forum considered item 6, entitled "Dialogue with Member States". At its [ ] meeting, the Forum considered and adopted its recommendations submitted under that item (see chap. I, sect. B).

9. At its 8th meeting, on 28 April, the Forum considered agenda item 7, entitled "Dialogue with the funds, programmes and specialized agencies of the United Nations system". At its [ ] meeting, the Forum considered and adopted its recommendations submitted under that item (see chap. I, sect. B).

10. At its 2nd and 3rd meetings, on 24 and 25 April, the Forum considered agenda item 8, entitled "Discussion on the theme: 'Tenth anniversary of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: measures taken to implement the Declaration'". For its consideration of the item, the Forum had before it two notes by the Secretariat entitled "Tenth anniversary of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: measures taken to implement the Declaration" (E/C.19/2017/4), and "International expert group meeting on the theme 'Implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: the role of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and other indigenous-specific mechanisms (article 42)'" (E/C.19/2017/10). At its [ ] meeting, the Forum considered and adopted its recommendations submitted under agenda item 8 (see chap. I, sects. A and B).

11. At its 14th meeting, on 4 May, the Forum considered agenda item 9, entitled "2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development". For its consideration of the item, the Forum had before it a note by the Secretariat entitled "Update on indigenous

peoples and the 2030 Agenda" (E/C.19/2017/5 and E/C.19/2017/5/Corr.1). At its [ ] meeting, the Forum considered and adopted its recommendations submitted under that item (see chap. I, sect. B).

12. At its 9th and 10th meetings, on 1 May, the Forum considered agenda item 10, entitled "Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples and the Chair of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples with regard to indigenous human rights defenders". At its [ ] meeting, the Forum considered and adopted its recommendations submitted under that item (see chap. I, sect. B).

13. At its 7th meeting, on 28 April, the Forum considered agenda item 11, entitled "Follow-up to the outcome document of the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples", sub-items (a) ("Implementation of national action plans, strategies or other measures"), (b) ("Ways to enhance the participation of indigenous peoples at the United Nations") and (c) ("Implementation of the United Nations system-wide action plan on indigenous peoples"). For its consideration of the item, the Forum had before it a note by the Secretariat entitled "Implementation of the United Nations system-wide action plan on indigenous peoples" (E/C/19/2017/2), submitted under sub-item (c). At its [ ] meeting, the Forum considered and adopted its recommendations submitted under agenda item 11 (see chap. I, sect. B).

14. At its 15th meeting, on 4 May, the Forum considered agenda item 12, entitled "Future work of the Permanent Forum, including issues considered by the Economic and Social Council and emerging issues". At its [ ] meeting, the Forum considered and adopted its recommendations submitted under that item (see chap. I, sect. B).

15. At its [ ] meeting, the Forum considered agenda item 13, entitled "Provisional agenda for the seventeenth session". At the same meeting, the Forum considered and adopted a draft decision submitted under that item (see chap. I, sect. A).

Chapter III
Adoption of the report of the Forum on its sixteenth session

16. At its [ ] meeting, the Rapporteur introduced the draft decisions and recommendations and the draft report of the Permanent Forum on its sixteenth session.

17. At the same meeting, the Permanent Forum adopted its draft report.

Chapter IV
Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

18. The Permanent Forum held its sixteenth session at United Nations Headquarters from 24 April to 5 May 2017. It held 16 formal meetings and 3 closed meetings to consider the items on its agenda.

19. At the 1st meeting, on 24 April, the session was opened by the Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development. At the opening ceremony, Tadodaho Sid Hill, of the Onondaga Nation, delivered a welcoming address. The Vice-President of the General Assembly (Nepal) and the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council (Chile) delivered statements.

20. At the same meeting, statements were made by the Chair of the Permanent Forum, the Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development, the Minister of Indigenous and Northern Affairs of Canada, and the Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women.

B. Attendance

21. Members of the Forum and representatives of Governments, intergovernmental organizations and bodies, United Nations entities and non-governmental and indigenous organizations attended the session. The list of participants will be published at a later date.

C. Election of officers

22. At its 1st meeting, the Forum elected the following members of the Bureau by acclamation:

Chair:

Mariam Wallet Mohamed Aboubakrine

Vice-Chairs:

Phoolman Chaudhary
Jens Dahl
Jesus Guadalupe Fuentes Blanco
Terri Henry

Rapporteur:

Brian Keane

D. Agenda

23. At its 1st meeting, the Forum adopted the provisional agenda contained in document E/C.19/2017/1.

E. Documentation

24. The list of the documents before the Forum at its sixteenth session will be published at a later date.